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SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE: REACTION TO U.S. PROPOSALS AND
OTHER COUNTRY INITIATIVES

1. INFORMAL CONTACTS WITH DELEGATIONS SINCE SPEECH OF SECRETARY KISSINGER SUGGESTS THAT COUNTRIES WE WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND MEETING TO SET UP RESERVE COORDINATING GROUP ARE PREPARED ACCEPT INVITATION TO MEET IN NEAR FUTURE TO CONSIDER WHAT NEXT STEPS SHOULD BE AND WHERE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE INITIATED. SO FAR JAPAN, EC, FRANCE, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, UK, EGYPT AND INDIA HAVE SO INDICATED INFORMALLY, ALTHOUGH WE ENVISION EC COMMISSION WOULD REPRESENT ALL EC MEMBERS, AT LEAST INITIALLY. USSR REACTION MORE CAUTIOUS BUT PROMISING IN TONE. (OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON WHEN AND WHERE MEETING MIGHT BE HELD WILL FOLLOW.)

2. ONLY OBJECTION SO FAR HEAD INFORMALLY TO PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON FOOD PRODUCTION AND INVESTMENT HAS COME FROM SWEDEN, MAKING ITS USUAL OBJECTIONS TO IBRD WEIGHTED VOTING

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PROCEDURES. CONSIDERABLE INTEREST BEING EXPRESSED IN TRYING

HEARD TO REACH AGREEMENT HERE ON OVERALL INTEGRATING ORGANIZATION,
BUT IT STILL SEEMS DOUBTFUL THIS CAN BE DECIDED BY WFC.

3. ON RESOLUTIONS, IRAN WILL INTRODUCE DRAPER DRAFT ON FOOD AND
POPULATION IN COMMITTEE 1 SHORTLY, WITH 14 LDC COSPONSORS. FRENCH
DISTRIBUTED RESOLUTION ON ORGANIZATION OF DISASTER RELIEF BUT
HAVE SAID THEY ARE WILLING TO WITHDRAW IT UPON CONFIRMATION THAT
SUBJECT ADEQUATELY DEALT WITH IN RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE 11 IN
NEW YORK. IN THIS REGARD, WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING TEXT FROM
DEPARTMENT ASAP. US HAS PREPARED ADDITIONS TO RESOLUTION 1
TO COVER THIS POINT IN SECRETARY KISSINGER'S SPEECH. GROUP OF
77 ENGAGED IN INTERNAL DEBATE OVER MAJOR NEW RESOLUTION ON TRADE
BASED ON YUGOSLAV PROPOSAL WHICH IS DELAYING WORK IN
COMMITTEE 111 UNTIL ITS EXPECTED INTRODUCTION SATURDAY.
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